

IN LUZON LAND

C. S. Bradford—Now a Realty Dealer of Manila.

PASSENGER OF THE SHERIDAN

Observations of a Newspaper Man.
Great Industrial Possibilities—
Rebels—Generals.

C. S. Bradford, at one time city editor of this paper and later proprietor of the Hilo Tribune, is in Honolulu en route to Manila, where his business interests now lie. Mr. Bradford is one of the goodly number of civilian passengers on the U. S. A. transport Sheridan, the whole list of which sees a royal funeral and a Fourth of July celebration in Honolulu. Before leaving these islands Mr. Bradford negotiated a number of large land deals on Hawaii and at different times in the States had to do with the business. He has organized a company and has established offices in Manila. Mr. Bradford went at the matter to master it thoroughly, employing American, Spanish and Tagalo lawyers and land specialists to give him courses in the title systems. These he now understands well and explains lucidly. He followed the American army as far out of Manila as it went and took observations on the country at close range. He had the opportunity to meet men from the other islands as well as from all the districts of Luzon and with careful study has gained much knowledge of the resources of the country. He is very enthusiastic over the future of a very large portion of the group and especially over the possibilities of money making in land dealing, cane growing and hemp culture. Mr. Bradford says that the most fertile land imaginable can now be secured at low figures and there is any amount of territory that will, as time goes on, be available for agricultural development on a large scale. General business is good, but in one or two lines is rather overdone. Mr. Bradford's company has taken over one of the daily papers of the place as side issue. They are reaching out for those desirable lands secured by the men who get in on the ground floor. The eminent specialists sent out by the United States report that there can be found coal and gold on every island of the group. There is great profit in hemp, indigo and many other things to which little or no attention is paid during the revolution.

"I never saw, neither do I expect to ever see so many dead men, and so much blood as in the trenches, and around some of the block houses. You remember reading of the company cook who deserted from one of the volunteer companies and became a lieutenant in the insurgent army. Well, it is an actual fact that there were twenty-seven dead bodies on top of his when they reached his corpse. After every engagement the dead would lie in rows and piles in the Filipino trenches. The Americans impressed Chinese into service everywhere to bury the dead insurgents. The constant firing by our boys made you sick of the sound. The small arms were going all the time and are at it yet. Then whenever there is action near the water the ships open up with heavy guns of all sizes. The Filipinos had an advantage for a long time with their smokeless powder and often they fight from the bamboo jungles. Our boys rush into the bamboo jungles with a yell. Why the American volunteer soldier is the marvel of the century. When the nighters set the ball rolling it was 9 o'clock at night. The fellows stood up to it all through the night without so much as a cup of coffee, fighting like demons down to the last round of ammunition and not getting a bite to eat or any rest till 4 the next afternoon. I helped impress rigs and ship and deliver ammunition and watched the fighting in the dark and rain till towards morning. Then I had a chance to go out to the Olympia with one of the officers and the sight from the deck of that peerless ship was grand. There was a blaze of fire from five miles of rifles and the field pieces were doing good work, while the ships were finding the insurgent lines. The fight was a warm one at close range till 7 o'clock in the morning. The Chinese laborers are always brave fellows. The rebels are improving in marksmanship and for three months have been picking off too much of a percentage of American officers.

"How long will it last? Till they send the number of men Gen. Lawton said would be needed—100,000—or more. Then there are two alternatives. One is to ship out all the Spanish priests instead of hobnobbing with them. The other is to catch and kill Aguinaldo. For the New York World I had an interview with Aguinaldo. It was an interpreter. Among other things he said the Filipinos had for centuries looked upon the Spanish priests as their direct oppressors and wanted priests of their own. The most offensive thing the Americans have done is to be familiar with the church people at Manila. I did not think much of the famous Aguinaldo. He looks insignificant. The feature of his surroundings is a great body guard. When I saw him at his capital he had in waiting all the time a special train to carry him away in case of danger. He now keeps in the background all the time. You ask a native what he means when he says he is fighting for independence or a republic and he will shrug his shoulders and mention the name of Aguinaldo. The little fellow has a great influence over the people. He tolerates no rival. He had a chief lieutenant named Luna and accomplished the assassination of that man. He has another prominent man who is likely to go the same route. This is a boy of 19, Gen. Pilar del Rio. Rio is a fine soldier. If Aguinaldo were out of the way the revolution would subside immediately. The Spaniards had a hard time with the natives before the Americans came. I don't think a Spaniard had been ten miles from Manila for three years and the Spaniards have never been in the back country. As a matter of fact Spain has had control of only two ports in the whole group. "Lawton is the king-pin of the soldiers out there. If they give him garrison force he will wind the thing up in short order. Lawton is a remarkable commander and the European critics out there declare he is one of the greatest field soldiers the world has ever known. Why, he knew the country like an old scout before he had been there three days and the way he kept the rebels on the run made them think the end of the world was coming. In my judgment MacArthur is the next best commander. Fred Funston has a great reputation as a fighter and he has earned it by grand dash and bravery. Funston is a leader and is absolutely fearless."

Mr. Bradford says that Tommy Evans and Whaley are doing very well in Manila. L. M. Johnson is in business at Hilo. Louis McGrew is still in Manila. Bob Gardner was for a time in the saloon business. Harry Turton was seriously wounded, but has recovered. Sam Widdfield was with Maj. Bell in Manila for several months, but went to Negros with the battalion of the First California sent to that island. Chas. Pleasants, the Pasadena man who enlisted here with the Tenth Pennsylvania, was invalided home a few months ago.

Mr. Bradford has interested Louisiana and other capitalists in his land company and expects to do well.

A GRAND BALL.

The Features that Made it a Record Affair.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) It would be wholly impossible to go into a notice of the Fourth of July ball at the drill shed, or armory, of the National Guard of Hawaii without using superlatives. The affair was in its way a triumph for the committee, and was most creditable to the American colony. Attendance included the society people of the various nationalities. There was a brilliance when the music was going, and there was a delightful scene when Capt. Berger's orchestra was silent. All the belles of the village were present, and so were all the beaux, and so were all the army and navy officers. Prominent were the officers of the Argentine Republic training ship and the U. S. A. officers from the transport Sheridan. The ball was most excellently managed by this committee: Dr. M. E. Grossman, W. Porter Boyd, C. J. Falk, J. H. Soper, Will E. Fisher, W. H. Hoogs, Sam'l Parker, C. A. Graham, B. H. Wright, W. C. Achi, Commander Merry.

The features of the ball were many, including several entirely new to Honolulu, and making a whole far away ahead of any event of the sort given here before. The committee did its work splendidly. The gallery was an innovation that was praised by all. The catering was by Thomas Cruise, and a large tent was used as a dining hall. The floor had been planed and scraped. The dressing and cloak rooms were better provided than ever. The orchestra was at its best.

The decorations were commented upon by all. George W. R. King was the author of them, and he certainly takes first prize in this field. It was all very pretty and very rich without being extravagant.

"Ned" Off For Home.

"Ned" Dekum took passage yesterday for the coast by the sailing vessel Diamond Head. Portland, the family home, is the objective point of Mr. Dekum. The young man leaves many warm friends in Hawaii and all these will hope for his early return to the islands. "Ned" is an all around good fellow. He will go a greater distance out of his way to do a favor for a man and brother than most men. He has been prominent in social affairs here and has been a general favorite in all quarters. Mr. Dekum is a clever man at his business, knowing books and stationery thoroughly. Mr. Dekum was one of the active spirits in the entertainment of the soldiers passing through here last year and was in his element when the Washington and Oregon boys struck the islands. The Dekum family is one of the oldest and most prominent in the northwest.

Stocked With Drugs.

A hackdriver was arrested last evening and held "for investigation." When taken to the station and searched, one would have thought the police department was going into the drug business. Bottles of medicine, including a couple of deadly poisons, were scattered about, having been found in the various pockets of the hackdriver. The complaint was made by his wife, who feared that he intended to kill himself, and possibly three or four more.

Rapid Transit Routes.

The application of the Rapid Transit Co. for the route from Kalia bridge to a point near John Eua's residence at Waikiki, as shown in the survey, was considered by the Cabinet yesterday morning and, excepting for slight amendments made by Superintendent Howell, was approved. The proposed route along Ala Moana was headed in, but consideration was deferred.

FLAG AFFAIR

Crowds Take Down the German Colors Twice.

Capt. Klemme's Decoration of Honor Caused Trouble—Charged with Treason.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Capt. Carl Klemme decorated the front of his Orpheum hotel place for the Fourth with stars and stripes bunting and with the stripes article plain. At the stairway entrance was placed a portrait of Dewey, draped with the American colors and surmounted with the laurel wreath. It all looked very nice from the street. Then Mr. Klemme, being a German subject, and besides, as he says, having loaned his American flag to a business friend, raised the German flag on the staff above the hotel. This was for the Fourth.

Early in the forenoon, says Capt. Klemme, a Mr. West, a painter, appeared at the Orpheum hotel and informed the proprietor that the German flag had been placed above the Stars and Stripes and had to come down. Capt. Klemme's account is that he responded to the effect that he intended no disrespect to the flag of the Union, but believed he had a right to float the German colors. West insisted that the display was unsuitable. Klemme says there were thirty or forty men with West and that the invaders made dire threats. Mrs. Klemme became hysterical and at her suggestion her brother ran upstairs, proceeded to the roof, somehow on the way found an American flag and in a few minutes changed the showing at the peak to the Stars and Stripes above the German flag. The visiting crowd heard of this and departed satisfied.

Acquaintances of Klemme's and a number of American citizens attracted by having their attention arrested by the peculiar combination called on the hotel man and told him the double show was in bad taste, as objectionable to Americans as to Germans. Klemme thereupon called at the police station and explained to Marshal Brown. The officer told Klemme to fix one flag on the pole as he liked and it should have police protection. Klemme went back, hauled down the pair of flags and sent the line up with the German flag. This was all right till 1 o'clock, when the police officers on guard, seeing no signs of disturbance, returned to the station.

A little before 1:30 a crowd of about 150 people, mostly soldiers off the U. S. transport Sheridan, made a rush into the Orpheum hotel. Klemme declares that West was the leader. The conversation was a limited matter. A number of the crowd proceeded to the roof at once. They hauled down the German flag and made away with it. In its place they tied to the landyard some bunting torn from the front of the hotel and the bunting was still there at 3 o'clock this morning. In this crowd there was a man of considerable age having a flag, a jag and two six-shooters. He is a civilian of the Sheridan and later was arrested. He was quite loud in his comments about the display of other than the American flag on the Fourth. In finishing up its work the big crowd of men dropped their step-ladder on Mrs. Klemme and she is prostrated by the hurt and nervousness. Klemme says he was afraid all the time that the man with the six-shooters would set the artillery in action and besides was afraid that if he resisted the crowd he would be torn to pieces. The patrol wagon appeared in response to a message telephoned by Klemme and four or five soldiers were arrested.

Capt. Klemme says he thought he was doing the right thing and that he regards West's interest as another chapter in an old quarrel between them. He will swear out a warrant for West today, but will not complain to the German consular representative. West is an American and said that he considered that the German flag had been hoisted above the Stars and Stripes and did not propose to allow it.

A number of soldiers were interviewed. They say they were not urged by West to do any violence, that they took the matter up on their own account because they thought Klemme was trying to show German colors above the Stars and Stripes.

Interest in the affair was very general and there was a crowd about the hotel all afternoon.

CHRONIC DIARRHOEA CURED.

Persons troubled with diarrhoea will be interested in the experience of Mr. W. M. Bush, clerk of Hotel Dorrance, Providence, R. I. He says: "For several years I have been almost a constant sufferer from diarrhoea, the frequent attacks completely prostrating me and rendering me unfit for my duties at this hotel. About two years ago a traveling salesman kindly gave me a small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Much to my surprise and delight its effects were immediate. Whenever I felt symptoms of the disease I would fortify myself against the attack with a few doses of this valuable remedy. The result has been very satisfactory and almost complete relief from the affliction." For sale by Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., wholesale agents for H. I. and all druggists and dealers.

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